

Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea

ARTS / EVENTS CALENDAR

JULY 2016

HOURS: 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. ▼ Cafe - 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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The Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea features works by more than 700 artisans from more than 100 counties across the Commonwealth. The center's exhibits, shopping and travel information areas are open daily from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. The cafe is open 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is free.

ARTISAN CENTER TO OPEN SATELLITE STORE AT SOUTHERN LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE – JULY 10-12

“THE KENTUCKY MARKET”

A special and distinctive array of Kentucky art will be showcased July 10-12 at the Lexington Convention Center.

Initiated by Kentucky Senator Robert Stivers, the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea and the Kentucky Arts Council have created the *Kentucky Market* to showcase works by over 150 Kentucky Artists during the July 9-13 Southern Legislative Conference at the Lexington Convention Center.

The *Kentucky Market* will feature a Kentucky Artisan Center satellite store with a wide selection of artist works along with numerous one-of-a-kind pieces, a selection of Berea artisan works, works by newly juried artists, demonstrations by Lexington artisans, book signings and video streaming of artists creating their work during demonstrations at the Center. This three day event is open to the public and all works will be for sale.

Artist demonstrations will be held all three days at the center's satellite store. Artists selected are from the Lexington area to promote Lexington's creative artist studios. Demonstrators are:

July 10 – Stephen Wiggins, Printmaking (10:30–2:30); Photographer Linda Doane signing her book, “Kentucky: A Photographic Journey” (11 a.m.–3 p.m.); and Elizabeth Worley, Reed Baskets (3 – 7 p.m.)

July 11 – Janice Harding Owens, Folk Art Painting (10:30–2:30); Photographer Jeff Rogers signing his book, “Kentucky: Beauty of the Bluegrass” (11 a.m.–3 p.m.); Bill Berryman, Drawing (3 – 7 p.m.)

July 12 – Rachel Savane', KY Agate Jewelry (10:30 – 2:30); Melissa Oesch, Repurposed Books (3 – 7 p.m.)

“We are excited to be offering our great selection of artist works at this satellite location,” said Todd Finley, executive director of the Kentucky Artisan Center. “This showcase during the Southern Legislative Conference will be a taste of what can be found at our signature location, the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea – located at Exit 77, just off I-75, south of Lexington.”

The Kentucky Artisan Center's satellite store will be open July 10, 11 and 12, in the Lexington Convention Center's third floor lobby, located just off the High Street entrance. Hours are Sunday, July 10, from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.; Monday, July 11, from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.; and Tuesday, July 12, from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Visit the Lexington Convention Center July 10-12, to find a great Kentucky arts experience!

GALLERY EXHIBITION

“Great Impressions: Prints by Kentucky Artisans”

Now through Sept. 10, 2016

The gallery exhibit “Great Impressions: Prints by Kentucky Artisans” is on display at the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea showcasing the work of 20 Kentucky printmakers.

Printmaking is one of the oldest forms of illustration and this exhibit includes works made with an array of printmaking techniques selected by each artist to translate their individual expression and style. Printmaking methods can be quick and immediate or methodical and complex. These 20 artists have created images that tell stories and narratives, illustrate realism and nature, show humor, clarify points of view and show graphic abstraction.

The exhibit not only showcases the talent and range of Kentucky’s printmakers, but also includes information on the history of printmaking with displays of printmaking tools, equipment and examples of different printmaking processes.



Photos, left to right: “Our Secret Spot” by Sara and Brian Turner of Cricket Press; “Brainstorm” by Mark Needham; “Ecuadorian Journey III” by David Mohallatee; “Dancing in the Blue Water” by Debby Stratford, all in exhibit “Great Impressions: Prints by Kentucky Artisans.”

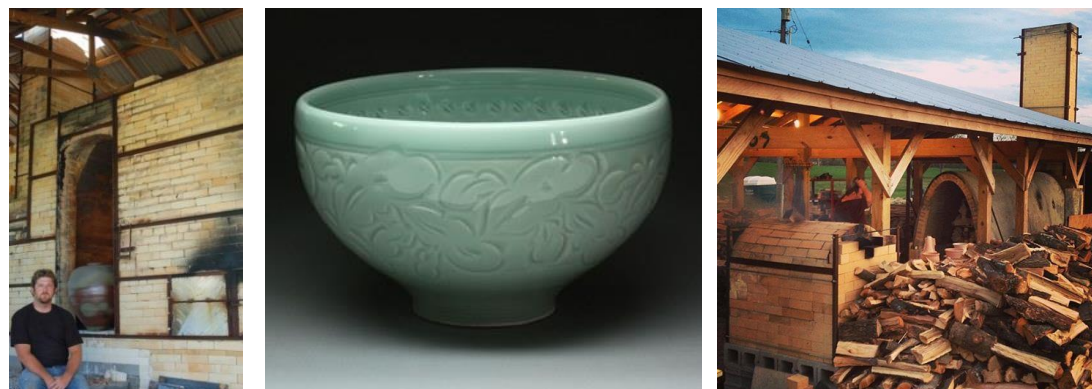
LOBBY EXHIBIT

“Kentucky Clay: A Continuing Tradition”

This exhibit showcases and explains how the wealth of clay deposits all across Kentucky gave rise to an abundance of potters, ceramic industries and clay traditions.

Beginning with the origins of clay and early objects made from clay, the exhibit shows the development of tools and processes used in ceramics. Through text, photos and objects, the scope of Kentucky ceramics is covered from early Native American pottery shards, to today’s contemporary ceramic works.

This exhibit includes a focus on the history of pottery in Kentucky and the region, as well as current production centers. Text panels and photos give information about Kentucky’s clay traditions and current clay programs at colleges and universities throughout the state. A display of works by contemporary Kentucky clay artists is also included.



Photo, top left to right-clockwise: Studio potter Matt Gaddie next to his large kiln at The Meadows Pottery near Bardstown; “Large Celadon Bowl” by Walter Hyleck; University of Kentucky’s wood-fire kiln.

DEMONSTRATIONS – EVENTS – GALLERY TALKS

FOCUS ON FIBER & TEXTILE ARTS IN JULY

July 2 – Saturday

Wet Felted Vessels Demonstrated by Cathy Vigor at Kentucky Artisan Center



Lexington artist Cathy Vigor will demonstrate the steps of wet felting wool and creating a vessel on Saturday, July 2 at the Center. Vigor will be showing how wool can be felted with water and agitation into felt, a strong malleable material. She will form the felted wool into vessels and offer children the chance to make a felted bead.

Felted vessel with Harry Lauder's Walking Stick by Cathy Vigor

July 9 – Saturday

Fabric Jewelry Keepers Created by Sue Reeves at Kentucky Artisan Center

On Saturday, July 9, Sue Reeves, of Richmond, will cut, stitch together, add a lining and then gather colorful fabrics into beautiful and functional jewelry keepers for travelling. Reeves began making her jewelry keepers when she realized the need for a safe and handy travel compartment for her jewelry.



Photos, left to right: Artist Sue Reeves sewing her jewelry keepers; stages of creating jewelry keepers; finished opened and closed keepers by Reeves.

July 9 – Saturday

Free Guided Gallery Tours July 9 at Kentucky Artisan Center

The Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea will offer visitors free guided tours through the center's gallery exhibit, "Great Impressions: Prints by Kentucky Artisans" and the lobby exhibit, "Kentucky Clay: A Continuing Tradition," on Saturday, July 9.

These free, guided exhibit tours will be led by Kentucky Artisan Center staff who will talk about the exhibit, the artists and individual works. Staff will answer questions about the techniques and various processes used, and the objects featured. Tours will be given at 11 a.m. and again at 2 p.m.



Photos, left to right: "Re-affirmed Refuge" by Nicole Hand in the center's exhibit "Great Impressions."

July 16 – Saturday

Berea Welcome Center Carvers at Kentucky Artisan Center

Three members of the Berea Welcome Center Carvers will 'Cut-It-Up' as they demonstrate a variety of woodcarving styles and techniques on Saturday, July 16, from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea.

Members of the Berea Welcome Center Carvers live in many communities in central Kentucky, and their activities include carving classes, carving demonstrations at schools, monthly Kentucky Artisan Center demonstrations and special events.



Photos, left to right: "Santa Tree" by John Ferguson; spoons by Terry Jones; "Scotsman" by Jack Gann

July 23 – Saturday

Felted Purses Created by Cathie Brown at Kentucky Artisan Center

On Saturday, July 23, Cathie Brown, of Richmond, will demonstrate how she creates her wool felted purses from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Kentucky Artisan Center. Brown uses a variety of forming and decorative felting techniques and lines her purses with fabric.



Photos: Felted purses by Cathie Brown at the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea

QUILTING EVENTS - BEREA'S QUILT EXTRAVAGANZA WEEKEND

July 30 – Saturday

Color, Pattern and Value in Quilts Demonstrated by Brenda Plaster at Kentucky Artisan Center

On Saturday, July 30, Brenda Plaster, of Lawrenceburg, will demonstrate how to utilize color, pattern and value in fabrics to create design varieties based on different orientations. She will use a rotary cutter to create pre-cut patches that will then be sewn together to illustrate the many variations possible.



Photos: Quilts by Brenda Plaster are regularly available at the Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea.

JULY 30 – Saturday 1:00 p.m.

CHAUTAUQUA SPEAKER

Dr. Pearlie M. Johnson Presents: “Quilt Art – Examining the Narrative in Kentucky Quilts” at Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea

As a result of oral history interviews with quilters across Kentucky, Dr. Johnson has gathered a small, yet powerful group of quilters whose work she discusses in her presentation. Her work explores women's history, storytelling, identity politics, and empowerment. Since the onset of Dr. Johnson's study of quilts in Kentucky, this presentation includes quilts made by women of all cultural groups. Her study is aimed at examining cross-cultural parallels in technique and assemblage, as well as revealing unique designs.

This presentation is being held in conjunction with Berea's city-wide *Quilt Extravaganza Weekend* and is made possible by the Kentucky Humanities Council's Speakers Bureau program. Dr. Johnson's presentation is free, open to the public and will begin at 1 p.m. in the Center's private dining room.



Dr. Pearlie M. Johnson

For more information about events call 859-985-5448, visit the center's [website](#) or visit our [Facebook](#) page.

The Kentucky Artisan Center at Berea is an agency in the Tourism, Arts and Heritage Cabinet of the Commonwealth of Kentucky.



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